

Riverside County Transportation Commission

April 5, 2017

Mr. Steven Hancock California Department of Transportation Traffic Operations 1120 N Street, MS-36 Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT:

Notice of Modifications to Proposed Amendments to California Code of Regulations Title 21, Division 2, Chapter 16: Compatibility Specifications for Automatic Vehicle Identification Equipment

Dear Mr. Hancock:

The Riverside County Transportation Commission (Commission) would like to continue to express its strong support of Caltrans in its effort to transition from the current automatic vehicle identification protocol documented in the California Code of Regulations, Title 21, Division 2, Chapter 16, (commonly referred to as the "Title 21 protocol"), to the leading-edge technology and associated benefits as offered by the International Standards Organization (ISO) 18000-63 protocol, (known as the "6C protocol").

My staff reviewed the modifications to the text, which incorporated the recommended changes submitted jointly by the California Toll Operators Committee (CTOC). Our technical staff feel the changes further enhance the efforts to adopt 6C, provide a complete specification, and increase competition for California's tolling business.

We hold our position that the transition deadline of January 2019 is reasonable to allow the Commission to incorporate the 6C protocol into our operations and would urge Caltrans to continue its active efforts to complete the regulatory change on our behalf.

Please contact Michael Blomquist at (951) 787-7141 if our staff can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Anne Mayer

Executive Director